

spirit of resistance? Let these take arms. The remedy is to set them right as to facts, pardon and pacify them. What signify a few lives lost in a century or two? The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants. It is its natural manure. (To Stephens Smith, written in Paris, 1787. F. IV., 467.)

•RECIPROCITY IN TRADE.—I should say then to every nation on earth by treaty: Your people shall trade freely with us and ours with you, paying- no more than the most favored nation, in order to put an end to the right of individual States acting by fits and starts to interrupt our commerce or to embroil us with any nation. \* \* \* If the nations of Europe from their actual establishments are not at liberty to say to America that she shall trade in their ports duty free, they may say she may trade there paying no higher duties than the most favored nation. And this is valuable in many of those countries where a great difference is made between the different nations. (To James Monroe, written from Paris, 1785. F. IV., 56.)

RECIPROCITY.—Some nations not yet ripe for free commerce in all its extent might still be willing to mollify its restrictions and regulations for us in proportion to the advantages which an intercourse with us might offer. Particularly they may concur with us in reciprocating the duties to be levied on each side, or in compensating any excess of duty by equivalent advantages of another nature. Our commerce is certainly of a character to entitle it to > favor in most countries. The commodities we offer are either necessities of life, or materials for manufacture, or convenient subjects of revenue; and we take in exchange, either manufactures when they have received the last finish of art and industry or mere luxuries. Such customers may reasonably expect welcome and friendly treatment at every market.

But should any nation contrary to our wishes suppose it may better find its advantages by continuing its system of prohibitions, duties and regulations it behooves us to protect our citizens, their commerce and navigation, by counter prohibitions, duties and regulations also. Free commerce and regulation **are** not to be given in exchange for restrictions and vexations;